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SUBJECT: DSP MISSION LEAVES FOR CHILE AND UNITED STATES

SUMMARY: DSP MISSION LEFT JAPAN DECEMBER 15 FOR VISITS TO CHILE AND UNITED STATES. TRAVEL APPEARS TO BE AIMED AT PERMITTING DSP TO CLAIM SPECIAL EXPERTISE, AMONG OPPOSITION PARTIES, ON EVENTS SURROUNDING OVER-THROW OF ALLENDE AND ON US HANDLING OF CURRENT OIL CRISIS.

1. DSP MISSION, HEADED BY ACTING SECRETARY GENERAL SABURO TSUKAMOTO, LEFT JAPAN DECEMBER 15 FOR CHILE AND UNITED STATES. IN CHILE TEAM IS SCHEDULED TO HOLD TALKS WITH GENERAL AUGUSTO PINOCHET AND OTHER JUNTA LEADERS TO GAIN UNDERSTANDING OF REASONS FOR COUP AGAINST ALLENDE. IN US, MISSION DESIRES TO CONFER WITH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, CONGRESSMEN, LEADERS OF INTERNATIONAL OIL
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COMPANIES, AND CHAIRMAN OF "NATIONAL JEWISH COUNCIL". PURPOSE

OF SUCH MEETINGS IS "TO LEARN ABOUT US PLANS TO COMBAT CURRENT OIL SQUEEZE AND SETTLE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT". AT SAME TIME, DSP REPS WILL ALSO SEEK TO EXPLAIN IMPACT OF OIL SHORTAGE ON JAPAN.

2. AFTER OVERNIGHT STAY IN LOS ANGELES, GROUP IS SCHEDULED TO REACH SANTIAGO DECEMBER 16, WHERE IT WILL REMAIN UNTIL DECEMBER 19. ARRIVING DULLES DECEMBER 20, TEAM WILL STAY IN WASHINGTON UNTIL DECEMBER 22, WHEN IT WILL TRAVEL TO NEW YORK FOR ONE DAY PRIOR TO DECEMBER 23 DEPARTURE FOR TOKYO. ACCORDING TO DSP OFFICIAL, APPOINTMENTS IN BOTH CHILE AND UNITED STATES ARE BEING ARRANGED THROUGH MOFA AND RESPECTIVE JAPANESE EMBASSIES.

3. DSP REPS, GRUMBLING ABOUT INADEQUATE PREPARATION, TELL US DECISION FOR TRIP WAS TAKEN BY CHAIRMAN KASUGA AND SEC GEN TSUKAMOTO ON SPUR OF MOMENT, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO PARTY'S INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT. AS USUAL, FOREIGN TRAVEL BY DSP TEAM APPEARS TO BE PRIMARILY PUBLICITY-SEEKING EXERCISE. GIVEN HIGH LEVEL OF INTERESTS REGARDING CHILE COUP BY OPPOSITION PARTIES AND NATIONAL CONCERN OVER OIL SHORTAGE, MISSION ESPECIALLY LOOKS LIKE EFFORT AT ONEUPSMANSHIP; DSP WILL NO DOUBT PORTRAY ITSELF AS ONLY OPPOSITION PARTY WITH READY ACCESS TO CHILEAN AND US LEADERS AND FIRST TO OBTAIN ON-THE-SPOT INFORMATION.
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